

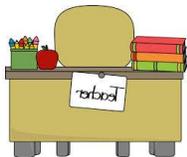
Dear Parents and Students,

September 6, 2016

Welcome to 5th grade Room 108!! I hope you and your family had a fun and relaxing summer vacation!! I have the pleasure of starting my third year here at Pirie but I have been in education for many years. When I am not teaching, I like to travel, spend time with family and friends and work within the community with my sisters of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Incorporated. I am confident my educational background, experience, and passion for teaching will provide your child with a positive atmosphere for learning and growth.

This school year will be filled with engaging, student-centered, relevant lessons, assignments, tasks and projects. I am committed to providing you a growth mindset and techniques that you will need to be successful in the fifth grade. My goal is for our classroom to be a community of learners based on mutual respect for all individual differences. I want you to know that *our* (not *my*) classroom is a safe environment where students are encouraged to share, learn from one another, and learn from me—just as I will learn from you. I'm excited about the opportunity to get to know you, and I'm looking forward to successful experiences and a productive school year.

Attendance: Regular and prompt attendance is absolutely essential in gaining the maximum benefit from the instructional program. Our goal is to have 96% attendance rate or better. Please refer to pages in the Pirie Parent/Student Attendance Handbook for a more detailed explanation of the attendance policy and state laws.



Uniform Policy: Pirie students must follow the uniform dress code. Pirie offers many incentives to students who are properly dressed in the Pirie school uniform. Students who fail to comply with the school and gym uniform policy will receive an out of uniform slip, it will be noted in student logger and a parent will also be contacted. The uniform and gym Dress Code is explained in detail in the Pirie Parent/Student Handbook.

Grading Scale:

A= 90-1000

B= 80-89

C= 70-79

D= 60-69

F= 59-0

Code of Conduct/Discipline: Refer to the CPS Student code of conduct handbook and in the Pirie student handbook

Classroom Expectations:

R-Respond in appropriate manner (to everyone)

E- Excellence only! (No messy work or excuses, stay on task)

S-Stay in your own personal space (and out of others)

P-Pay attention and participate

E-Encourage, not discourage others

C-Come prepared to learn! (materials and attitude)

T- Take responsibility for your actions

Homework Policy: Homework is assigned daily. Students are expected to write their homework in their planner and return completed assignments on the due date. Homework is meant to reinforce those strategies, techniques, skills, and concepts introduced in the classroom.

Homework assignments will be collected, checked-in and or graded in a timely manner. Refer to Homework Policy in Pirie Parent/Student Handbook.

Supply List:

Qty	Item and Product Description
72	Pencils - #2-pre-sharpened (No Mechanical Pencils)
2	Boxes Facial Tissues, 160 count box
1	Ruler - 12", Inch/CM, clear, no colors
4	Notebook Filler Paper - Wide ruled, 150 pages, 8x10.5
2	Notebook - Composition book, Mead, 100 pages, wide ruled (black and white)
1	Pencil case - Zipper, Mesh pocket,
6	Folders - 2 pocket, with fasteners (assorted colors)
3	Highlighter - (single) (yellow)
1	Markers - Crayola, 8 color pack, thin line (classic colors)
4	Pen - ballpoint, medium point, single (red)
1	Index Cards - Ruled, 3x5, 100 count and 4x6 100 count
1	1-inch ring binder with 5 tabs
1	Bottle hand sanitizer
1	large print thesaurus
1	pack of erasers
2	pencil sharpeners

In an effort to split the classroom supplies evenly the boys are asked to bring 2 rolls of paper towels and the girls are asked to bring 1 container of disinfecting wipes.

Communications:

Email: jquinn7@cps.edu

Student Planner: Notes and comments can be written in the planner to the teacher.

Parent-teacher conferences can be scheduled using the student planner or you may send me a note.

Remind.com- Remind is a text reminder application that will allow me to periodically send out classroom and school reminders via text message to help take the burden of remembering off of you. To participate in receiving text message reminders, simply text 81010 with the message @quinn650.

I am looking forward to a motivating and stimulating year.

Ms. J. Quinn

5th Grade Homeroom Teacher



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